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FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE IS DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN'S STATEMENT FOLLOWING AMBASSADOR SCALI'S EXPLANATION OF VOTE UNCLASSIFIED

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AT SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING JULY 26, 1973:

QUOTE: AMBASSADOR SCALI'S STATEMENT IN EXPLANATION OF VOTE SETS FORTH OUR POSITION IN DETAIL. I WILL JUST HIGHLIGHT A FEW POINTS:

WE HAVE HEARD THE COMMENT THAT WE VETOED THE RESOLUTION BECAUSE IT WAS ANTI-ISRAEL. THE FACT IS THAT WE VETOED BECAUSE IT WAS PARTISAN AND UNBALANCED. IT WOULD HAVE DISTORTED AND CHANGED SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 242 WHICH IS THE ONLY AGREED BASIS FOR A SETTLEMENT. IT WOULD HAVE SET BACK, NOT ADVANCED CHANCES FOR A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT.

WE OFFERED WIDE-RANGING AMENDMENTS WHICH WOULD HAVE RESTORED A DEGREE OF BALANCE TO THE RESOLUTION. THERE WAS NO SERIOUS RESPONSE TO OUR EFFORTS, WHICH MAKES IT DIFFICULT NOT TO CONCLUDE THAT THE PRINCIPAL PURPOSE OF THE EXERCISE IN NEW YORK WAS TO DRAW A U.S. VETO.

WE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT THAT WILL BE JUST TO ALL PARTIES AND THAT WILL

REQUIRE COMPROMISE BY ALL PARTIES. OUR SUGGESTED AMENDMENTS MADE THIS CLEAR.

WE ARE CONVINCED THAT HISTORY WILL SHOW THAT OUR DECISION TO VETO, WHICH WAS NOT TAKEN LIGHTLY, HAS KEPT ALIVE THE POSSIBILITY FOR A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT. WE ARE ALSO CONVINCED THAT HISTORY WILL SHOW THAT WHEN A SETTLEMENT COMES, IT WILL BE THE RESULT OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE PARTIES BASED UPON A GENUINE NEGOTIATING PROCESS.

FINALLY, WE BELIEVE IT IS NOW TIME TO LOOK FORWARD AND NOT TO THE PAST. SECRETARY GENERAL WALDHEIM HAS INDICATED THE INTENTION TO ENGAGE HIMSELF IN THE PURSUIT OF PEACE BY VISITING THE AREA TO CONSULT WITH THE PARTIES. HE HAS OUR FULL SUPPORT, AND WE TRUST, THE SUPPORT OF THE PARTIES AND OF ALL MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL. UNCLASSIFIED

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